



## “STEADFASTNESS IN FULFILLING THE COMMANDS OF ALLAH”

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: فَاسْتَقِمَّ كَمَا أُمِرْتَ وَمَنْ تَابَ مَعَكَ وَلَا تَطْغَوْا إِنَّهُ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ بَصِيرٌ<sup>1</sup>

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.

أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ! اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أُوصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تَقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ .

**Dear blessed Muslims,**

I remind myself and fellow audience that let us strive in increasing our *imaan* and *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by remaining steadfast in performing all of His Commands, and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May we become among those having utmost *taqwa* by attaining blissfulness in this world and the Hereafter.

On this noble day, I would like to expound on a *khutbah* titled “**STEADFASTNESS IN FULFILLING THE COMMANDS OF ALLAH.**”

**Respected Muslims,**

As the slaves of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, we have been commanded to have *imaan* and worship unto Him. We have to fulfill the commands of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* with *istiqaamah* (steadfastness) as in the verse mentioned earlier, verse 112 of Soorah Hood, which means:

**“So remain on a right course as you have been commanded, [you] and those who have turned back with you [to Allah], and do not transgress. Indeed, He is Seeing of what you do.”**

In the *hadeeth* of Sufyaan bin ‘Abdullah *radiyAllaahu ‘anh*, Rasulullah ﷺ said:

قُلْ: أَمَنْتُ بِاللَّهِ، ثُمَّ اسْتَقِمَّ

**“Say I affirm my faith in Allah and then remain steadfast to it.”**

(Muslim)

<sup>1</sup> Hood 11:112.



## Blessed Muslims,

Among the commands of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* that requires us to have *istiqamah* in fulfilling them are:

First: Performing *salaah* during the prescribed times for *salaah* is an obligation that must be fulfilled by the believers during its prescribed times. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 103 of soorah an-Nisaa':

إِنَّ الصَّلَاةَ كَانَتْ عَلَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ كِتَابًا مَّوْقُوتًا ﴿١٠٣﴾

***"Indeed, prayer has been decreed upon the believers a decree of specified times."***

For those that are neglectful and heedless with regard to their *salaah*, Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* has given stern warning with severe torment, as He mentions in verse 59 of soorah Maryam:

خَلَفَ مِنْ بَعْدِهِمْ خَلْفٌ أَضَاعُوا الصَّلَاةَ وَاتَّبَعُوا الشَّهْوَاتِ فَسُوفَ يَلْقَوْنَ غِيًّا ﴿٥٩﴾

***"But there came after them successors who neglected prayer and pursued desires; so they are going to meet evil."***

Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم had reminded his *ummah* to not neglect *salaah* as in the narration of Jaabir bin 'Abdullah *radiyAllaahu 'anhuma*, where he صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

بَيْنَ الرَّجُلِ وَبَيْنَ الشِّرْكِ وَالْكَفْرِ تَرْكُ الصَّلَاةِ

***"Between man and polytheism and unbelief is the abandonment of salaah."***  
(Muslim)

This shows the great importance in preserving and safeguarding our *salaah*. It is for that reason that Sayyidina 'Umar *radiyAllaahu 'anh* would always firmly emphasize on the obligation of *salaah* to the officers under his command.

Second: To seek knowledge. Seeking knowledge is an obligation that falls upon every Muslim, through teachers whom are acknowledged and recognized in their scholarship, not merely seeking knowledge without a teacher. Moreover, we are to seek knowledge so that we would always remain on the path of truth, and that we can also guide other Muslims together. The importance of seeking knowledge and teaching others has been recorded by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* through His Words, mentioned in verse 122 of Soorah at-Tawbah:



وَمَا كَانَ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ لِيَنْفِرُوا كَافَّةً فَلَوْلَا نَفَرَ مِنْ كُلِّ فِرْقَةٍ مِّنْهُمْ طَائِفَةٌ لِّيَتَفَقَّهُوا فِي الدِّينِ وَلِيُنذِرُوا قَوْمَهُمْ إِذَا رَجَعُوا إِلَيْهِمْ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَحْذَرُونَ ﴿١٣٢﴾

**“And it is not for the believers to go forth [to battle] all at once. For there should separate from every division of them a group [remaining] to obtain understanding in the religion and warn their people when they return to them that they might be cautious.”**

For those striving in seeking knowledge, there are favors bestowed by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala* upon them. Rasulullah ﷺ had reminded us in the *hadeeth* of Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu ‘anh* where he ﷺ said:

وَمَنْ سَلَكَ طَرِيقًا يَلْتَمِسُ فِيهِ عِلْمًا سَهَّلَ اللَّهُ بِهِ طَرِيقًا إِلَى الْجَنَّةِ

**“And whoever follows a path to seek knowledge therein, Allah will make easy for him a path to Paradise.”**

(Muslim)

Virtues are also bestowed upon those seeking the knowledge of al-Qur’an and teaches it to others, as mentioned in the *hadeeth* of ‘Uthmaan *radiyAllaahu ‘anh*, where Rasulullah ﷺ said:

خَيْرُكُمْ مَنْ تَعَلَّمَ الْقُرْآنَ وَعَلَّمَهُ

**“The best among you (Muslims) are those who learn the Qur’an and teach it.”**  
(al-Bukhaari)

Seeking knowledge has no end. For as long as the soul is breathing, the journey in seeking knowledge will continue further. Let us take valuable lessons from this story. A prominent Muslim scholar that is well known named Abu Rayhaan al-Birooni was very ill but he would still sought for answers regarding *fiqh* (jurisprudence) questions from his companions that visited him. With a sad tone, his friend asked: “Is this a suitable time for me to ask such questions?” al-Birooni answered with firmness: “I will not leave this world without having the knowledge pertaining those questions.”

**Dear blessed audience,**

The opportunity for us to remain *istiqaamah* in seeking knowledge is wide open with various programs organized by various quarters. Among them, the masjid and *surau* committee are offering knowledge-based activities every single day. Aside from that, we are also encouraged to increase our knowledge by reading, as in the command of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala* in the opening verse of soorah al-‘Alaq. Hence, let us embrace the habit of reading and frequent the circles of knowledge, especially ones organized by the masjid committee as part of our daily activities.



Dear blessed audience,

Third: Covering the 'awrah. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* has commanded His believing slaves to cover their 'awrah in preserving their dignity and self-respect especially for the women. The command to cover the 'awrah and its boundaries for a woman can be found in verse 31 of soorah an-Noor:

وَقُلْ لِلْمُؤْمِنَاتِ يَغْضُضْنَ مِنْ أَبْصَرِهِنَّ وَحَفَظْنَ فُرُوجَهُنَّ وَلَا يُبْدِينَ زِينَتَهُنَّ إِلَّا مَا ظَهَرَ مِنْهَا وَلْيَضْرِبْنَ خُمُرَهُنَّ عَلَىٰ جُيُوبِهِنَّ

**“And tell the believing women to reduce [some] of their vision and guard their private parts and not expose their adornment except that which [necessarily] appears thereof and to wrap [a portion of] their head covers over their chests ...”**

ibn 'Abbaas *radiyAllaahu 'anhuma* and 'A'ishah *radiyAllaahu 'anha* explained that the term *zhahir* (exposed) in this verse refers to the face and both palms. The 'awrah for women has been further explained by al-Imaam ash-Shaafi'i in his book *al-Umm*, which covers the entire body except for the face and the palms. With this simple explanation, we can then comprehend the limits of 'awrah for a woman.

Nowadays, there are many Muslim women that have made "hijrah" in fulfilling the command of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Some used to not cover their 'awrah in the past but now have began covering their 'awrah with perfection and fully veiled (*hijaab*). This is definitely something to be proud of.

However, there are some Muslim women that unfortunately manipulated the issue of covering the 'awrah as a plaything. Some of them began to wear the *hijaab* but would later take it off and not wear the *hijaab* anymore, just to blend in with the current "trend". It is as if they are tinkering with the commands of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Such is the case when one succumbs to the *nafs* (desire) in this worldly life.

Similarly with the men whom are also not exempted and excepted from the ruling of covering their 'awrah. Therefore, let us altogether remain determined and steadfast in fulfilling the commandments of Allah and avoid all of His prohibitions at all times, wherever we may be. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 6 of soorah at-Tahreem:

يَأْتِيهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا قَوًّا أَنفُسِكُمْ وَأَهْلِيكُمْ نَارًا وَقُودُهَا النَّاسُ وَالْحِجَارَةُ عَلَيْهَا مَلَائِكَةٌ غِلَاظٌ شِدَادٌ لَا يَعْصُونَ اللَّهَ مَا أَمَرَهُمْ وَيَفْعَلُونَ مَا يُؤْمَرُونَ

**“O you who have believed, protect yourselves and your families from a Fire whose fuel is people and stones, over which are [appointed] angels, harsh and severe; they do not disobey Allah in what He commands them but do what they are commanded.”**

Respected audience,



To end the *khutbah* today, I would like to remind all of us to take valuable lessons upon the following:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must have belief in Allah and His Messenger, as well as performing all of His Commands that was sent down through His Messenger.
2. The Muslim *ummah* must continue to remain *istiqamah* in fulfilling all of the commands of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, for it is from among the practices of Islamic *akhlaaq* (morals).
3. The Muslim *ummah* must safeguard itself and everyone within its responsibility so as to not become influenced with lifestyles that contradicts authentic Islamic teachings.
4. The Muslim *ummah* must have certainty that every deeds performed will be held accountable and rewarded accordingly by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in the Hereafter.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ  
فَمَنْ يَعْمَلْ مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ خَيْرًا يَرَهُ ﴿٧﴾ وَمَنْ يَعْمَلْ مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ شَرًّا يَرَهُ ﴿٨﴾

**"So whoever does an atom's weight of good will see it, and whoever does an atom's weight of evil will see it."**

(al-Zalzalah 99:7-8)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ  
وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ، إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ.  
أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِي وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ،  
فَأَسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ.



## THE SECOND KHUTBAH

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي جَعَلَنَا مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَرَزَقَنَا مِنَ الطَّيِّبَاتِ. أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أَوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

وَقَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى : إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا.

***“Indeed, Allah confers blessing upon the Prophet, and His angels [ask Him to do so]. O you who have believed, ask [Allah to confer] blessing upon him and ask [Allah to grant him] peace.”***

(al-Ahzaab 33:56)

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ وَارْضَ اللَّهُمَّ عَنْ أَصْحَابِهِ وَقَرَابَتِهِ وَأَزْوَاجِهِ وَذُرِّيَّاتِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيعٌ قَرِيبٌ مُجِيبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَعِزِّ الْإِسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَأَهْلِكَ الْكُفْرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ وَدَمِّرْ أَعْدَاءَكَ أَعْدَاءَ الدِّينِ. وَأَنْصِرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعَيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُونَ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج



ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانِ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عَبْدِ الْعَزِيزِ شَاهِ الْحَاجِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ  
وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لَوْلِيَّ عَهْدِ سَلَاطُونِ، تَعَاوَى اَمِيرِ شَاهِ  
ابْنِ السُّلْطَانِ شَرْفِ الدِّينِ اَدْرِيسِ شَاهِ الْحَاجِ، فِي اَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ  
وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْاِكْرَامِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحَيْنِ لِلْمَوْظَفَيْنِ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ  
وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرِّشَادِ.

O Allah, You are the Lord that is All Mighty, we are grateful to You for having bestowed *rahmah* and *barakah* upon this state, which continues to remain advanced and prosperous, with its residents united under the auspices and leadership of our Ruler as the Head of Islamic affairs in this state.

Hence, we sincerely beseech You, O Allah, strengthen our *imaan* and creed according to that of *Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah*, and protect us from teachings that are outside the fold of Islam such as *Qadiyaani* and deviant teachings such as *Shee'ah*. O Allah, *Ya Rahmaan, Ya Raheem*, unite our hearts, bestow upon us *rizq* with blessings, enrich us with beneficial knowledge, protect us from calamities. O Allah, bestow upon us guidance in performing the five daily prayers in congregation, fulfilling *zakaat* through *Lembaga Zakat Selangor* (Selangor *Zakaat* Board), making *waqf* and *infaaq* of our wealth to *Perbadanan Wakaf Negeri Selangor* (Selangor *Waqf* Corporation) and *Tabung Amanah Pembangunan Islam Selangor* (Islamic Development Trust Fund of Selangor).

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ اَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةَ اَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ اِمَامًا. رَبَّنَا اِنَّا  
فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةٌ وَفِي الْاٰخِرَةِ حَسَنَةٌ وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ  
عِبَادَ اللّٰهِ، اِنَّ اللّٰهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْاِحْسَانِ وَاِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ  
وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿٩١﴾  
فَاذْكُرُوا اللّٰهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوهُ عَلَىٰ نِعْمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ  
يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللّٰهِ اَكْبَرُ وَاللّٰهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.

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